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THE ISLAMIC COUNCIL WISHES YOU AND THE PEOPLE OF TUNISIA ALL THE BLESSINGS AND JOYS OF EID-AL-FITR.

WE HAVE LEARNT WITH SATISFACTION ABOUT THE RELEASE OF PROFESSOR RASHID-AL-GHANOUSHI, HEAD OF ISLAMIC TENDENCY MOVEMENT, FROM DETENTION AND WE CONGRATULATE YOU FOR PROFESSOR GHANOUSHI'S RELEASE. WE HOPE THAT PROFESSOR GHANOUSHI'S RELEASE WILL BE FOLLOWED SOON BY THE RELEASE OF ALL POLITICAL PRISONERS . SUCH A STEP WILL BE GREATLY APPRECIATED BY MUSLIMS AROUND THE WORLD AND RAISE YOUR STANDING AND RESPECT AMONG THE TUNISIAN PEOPLE, HUMAN RIGHTS ORGANISATIONS, GOVERNMENTS, AND MUSLIMS EVERYWHERE.

MAY ALLAH BLESS YOU AND GUIDE YOUR STEPS ALONG THE RIGHT PATH. KIND REGARDS.

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